SELMA MAN IS SHOT DOWN IN HOTEL; NEGRO BEING SOUGHT.

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Selma, Ala., May 15.—Archibald Green, well known man of Selma, son of Mrs. M. B. Green, was shot in an altercation with a negro bell boy, it is claimed, at the Albert Hotel tonight about eight o'clock. The ball entered the lower part of Mr. Green's stomach ranging toward the left hip. He was rushed to the King Memorial Hospital, where he under went an opearation for the removal of the ball. His condition was considered very serious. The negro escaped immediately.

Particulars that led up to the shooting are said to be as follows: After an altercation with the negro, Mr. Green followed him to the back entrance of the hotel, where, after some words had passed between them, Mr. Green struck the negro over the head with a pitcher which he held in his hand, and the negro retaliated by pulling a gun and firing at Mr. Green before anyone realized his intentions. The report of the shot drew a large crowd of people to the scene. In a few minutes a posse of officers and citizens headed by former Sheriff Stanfill and other officers, started at once in pursuit of the fleeing negro and were still scouring the vicinity of Selma for him at a late hour tonight.

Miss Estelle Bryant left yesterday for a few days visit to Dothan.

MRS. T. E. WATSON DIES UNEXPECTEDLY.

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Thomson, Ga., May 14.—Mrs. Thomas E. Watson, widow of the late United States Senator Thomas E. Watson, of Georgia, died at her home here at 11 o'clock tonight, from an attack of acute diabetes.

Mrs. Watson had been in failing health for several months but her condition had not become alarming until a short time before her death. She took a sudden turn for the worse early tonight, which resulted in death. She is survived by two granddaughters, the Misses Georgia Lee and Georgia Watson.

Mrs. Watson was the first woman ever to be tendered the appointment as United States Senator, Governor Hardwick having offered her the seat made vacant by the death of her husband last fall. She declined the appointment, however, and it was given to Mrs. Rebecca Felton, of Cartersville.

The Two Worst Things.

Two things to steer clear of—a confirmed gossip is both of them.—Troy Messenger.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to the people of Elba and New Brockton, who were so kind and thoughtful of us during our recent sad bereavement. We pray God's richest blessings on each and every one of you.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Crabtree.

Yeoman Campaign Now On

The campaign for members in the Brotherhood of American Yeomen, which is being conducted in Elba by J. D. Covington, Deputy, is gaining much interest on account of the various features of the organization in a fraternal way and in the insurance department also.

The Yeomen write 20 Pay, Whole Life, and an Endowment Policy at the age of 70. These policies cover accidents of various kinds, in addition to the life insurance and also carry the cash and loan value, paid up insurance and time extension.

During this campaign there will be no fee for initiation or medical examination. Both men and women from 16 to 60 years of age accepted. Also children in the juvenile department.

If interested see the local organizer,

J. D. Covington

for further information and full details.

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ANOTHER BAD FIRE OCCURS AT FLORALA

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Florala News says:

Shortly after three o'clock this (Friday) morning, fire was discovered in the building occupied by the Busy Bee Cafe. The fire was already spreading to the building occupied by the new picture show, as the two buildings were only seperated by a wooden partition. Considerable fear was entertained for a time even after the fire department arrived, that the stores of A. L. Rosenberg and Holloway Mercantile Company might also burn. And the damage by water and smoke was considerable to both Holloway Mercantile Company suffered heavier than Rosenberg, however, as the fire got into that store and the hose had to be turned into it.

If the fire department which did some good work in this case, had been delayed any in getting to the fire, the entire block would very likely have burned. The fronts of all the stores from Kelly Grocery Company's store to I. S. Lurie Furniture Company's store were damaged.

It is said that the insurance companies cancelled about half of the insurance in that section of the block last week.

The Busy Bee Cafe in which it is said the fire originated, was owned and operated by Mr. H. A. Reeves, and the picture show was owned by Mr. Byron Sellers. The building occupied by the cafe had recently been bought by Mr. W. D. Patrick from Mrs. Price and he contemplated moving his theatre, the Cozy Theatre, into it as soon as he could obtain possession, but it is said that right to possession was in dispute. The one occupied by the picture show was owned by M. Lurie. The warehouse back of the burned buildings was also damaged with some feed stuff.

This was the most serious of the many early morning fires to occur in Florala in over a year, and is generally thought to be of incendiary origin.

CARD OF THANKS

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We wish to express our sincere thanks and deepest appreciation for every expression of love and sympathy shown us during our great sorrow. The loss of Barnes has darkened our lives and crushed our hearts; without our friends it seems that it would have been unbearable.

As we pray for God to strengthen us in our grief we shall ask His blessings on each of you.

Mr. and Mrs J. W. Kendrick and Family.

PIKE MURDER CASES ARE SET FOR TRIAL.

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Troy Herald says:

The five white men held on a charge of murder in connection with the killing of Jim Stewart, white of Josie beat, some time ago, will be tried separately during this term of circuit court.

George Harden will be the first to face a jury on a first degree murder charge. His trial has been set for May 28th.

Henry Wilks will be the next, his trial being set for the 30th of May. Dates for the trials of the other three, McLendon, Harden and Wilks, have not yet been fixed.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

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The Tax Adjuster has completed his work of adjusting the taxes of Coffee County for the year 1923, and has returned his report, which is open for inspection. Said Tax Adjuster will be in the Tax Assessor's office at Elba for one week beginning on June 4, 1923, and at Enterprise for one week beginning on June 18, 1923, for the purpose of correcting any errors which may have been made in assessments or valuations.

This, May 11, 1923.

D. C. MARLEY,
Tax Assessor, Coffee County.

The Modern Home.

Home is a place where people stay until the automobile can be repaired.—Dothan Eagle.

DEAD CHILD BROUGHT TO LIFE BY NEW DRUG.

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Not long since the medical and lay world was startled by the feat of a physician in Bellview hospital in New York. A woman patient gave birth to twins, one alive the other still born. The attending physician filled a hypodermic needle with the recently discovered powerful drug called adrenalin and thrust the needle by a stab directly into the heart of the dead child injecting the fluid into it. The powerful contracting force of the drug started the hearts action, the child began to breath and now after two months is alive, healthy and normal.

Last Friday night at Baylor hospital in Dallas, Texas, Drs. Warren E. Massey and J. B. Smoot performed a similar operation with success. A child was born dead but was revived by an injection of adrenalin. Dr. Smoot said "The child was dead when born last night, heart sound was extinct and there was no evidence of respiration. Dr. Massey prepared and injected the drug into the heart muscles. After the injection we continued other means of producing respiration, and in a short time the child began to breathe.

On Saturday morning the hospital attendants reported the child in good health and in normal condition.

The number of still births of children are of common occurrence, so common in fact that in almost every family where any number of children have been born one and sometimes more still births have occurred. In times past the inevitable has been accepted and little if any effort has been made at resuscitation. With the discovery and use of adrenalin it is probable that in a large number of these cases of suspended animation revivification is possible. It is a great stride forward in medical science when the death rate by still birth can be so materially reduced as now appears possible by the use of the new discovery.

DEPUTY MEETS DEATH IN NEGRO CHURCH ROW.

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 14—John A. Schneider, deputy sheriff was instantly killed here last night when he answered a call to stop a fight among negroes in a church. The negro who did the shooting escaped and was not identified. After the killing, the body of Schneider was carried a block away and cast into a ditch. The dead man's clothing had been ransacked and his watch, money and other valuables taken.

CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN AT ONCE ON FLORALA-OPP HIGHWAY.

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The Florala-Opp Highway construction will be begun within the next few days. The contract was let in Montgomery, Monday, to Stanley & Singer Construction Co., of LaFayette, who will be in Florala Friday and Saturday to award sub-contracts for the construction which must be begun at once.

The News understands that there will be a number of local bidders for short sections of the road up to several miles. Among these will be J. M. Pilcher and T. C. Penton.

It is said that about 200 men will be employed and as many mules. These will be at work before the end of May, probably some of them within the next ten days. The road is to cost approximately $300,000 and will be the finest road in any of the lower Alabama counties.—Florala News.

CONGRESSMAN STEAGALL IS VISITOR HERE.

Congressman Henry B. Steagall, of Ozark, was a visitor at Elba for a short time Wednesday morning. While here he visited many of our citizens renewing his pleasant acquaintances. Mr. Steagall was en route to New Brockton where he went to speak before the Woman's Club on Wednesday afternoon.

The Congressman says he is now enjoying the first real vacation he has had in several years, and is thoroughly enjoying it, as his work in Congress during the past winter has been very heavy. He was assigned to many important committees and was kept quite busy all during the session. He will visit this part of the district again within the next few weeks and hopes to see more of our people

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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Vaughn, of Troy, were guests of relatives at Elba Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Mizell, of Samson, spent Sunday at Elba with Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Boyd.

Prof. J. J. Farris, Jr., of Greenville, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at Elba.

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WHY FARM BOYS SHOULD GET AN EDUCATION.

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Some of us seem to think that if our boy is going to follow farming all his life it is not worth the trouble and expense of his getting very much learning. But if he expresses a desire to become a lawyer or doctor, we make every posible sacrifice and so does the boy. He wants to be thoroughly familiar with his profession and that is right.

Farming is also a profession, the one that all the world is dependent on for food and clothing. This makes it the most important one there is. Why then should he not get preparation? He should know how to feed and take care of the dear old mother earth so as to get the best return, how to feed and cultivate his plants, how to fight plant enemies, for they are many. He must learn how to buy and sell wisely to be partner with the city's business men instead of just going on in a haphazard way untrained getting cheated perhaps and thinking the so-called "Big Man" has got him.

Let us encourage our boys, one and all, to attend school and get prepared for their calling. To know it better will be to like it better and there will not be so much craving for city life. And, as for us who have missed this training, let us take time to read The Progressive Farmer and other good literature. We will be better citizens for it.—The Progressive Farmer.

NEGRO AT LUVERNE GETS WHIPPING.

Luverne Journal says:

It is said that a negro driver of an automobile was taken into a store Sunday evening and whipped by citizens of Luverne The thrashing was done in the hearing of the Sheriff of the county. It seems that the driver tried to go between two cars and hit one. He was led back into a store and given a whipping.

FARMER SLAYS SELF.

Guin, Ala., May 15.—John D. Morrow, who lives in Lamar county, 10 miles west of Guin, committed suicide Sunday morning by shooting himself thru the head. He was found dead in the woods about 75 yards from his house. A pointed stick was lying near him with which it is supposed he pulled the trigger of the gun. He also had a razor on him. He was a very prosperous farmer and leaves a wife and several children. Bad health is supposed to have been the cause of the act.

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3 Dead, 1 Fatally Injured When Boiler Explodes

FATAL ACCIDENT OCCURRS AT SAW MILL WEST OF ELBA ON WEDNESDAY MORNING

TWO MEN KILLED INSTANTLY, ANOTHER DIES IN FEW MINUTES; FOURTH MAN NOT EXPECTED TO LIVE; BOILER HURLED LONG DISTANCE; MILL WRECKED.

Three men are dead and another is fatally injured, as the result of a boiler explosion which occurred Wednesday morning shortly after 6 o'clock at the saw mill of Mr. Billie Cauley, about nine miles West of Elba, near Friendship church in Covington county.

The dead are: Bethel Sasser, Horace Eddins and Rufus Aultman. Tommie Cauley was fatally injured and little or no hope is held out for his recovery.

All are white men and married with the exception of Eddins. Cauley, so it is said, was married on last Sunday.

The boiler, shed, mill house and much of the machinery of the plant is a total wreck, according to reports of the sad tragedy which are brought to town by several who visited the scene. It is stated that the boiler had been fired up, and that the water was unusually low. Aultman, who was firing the boiler, turned on the water while the boiler was in full heat, and in the twinkling of an eye the explosion came. The boiler was lifted from its foundation and was carried 150 or 200 yards into a field. Parts of the boiler, brick and other material around the boiler were blown in every direction and scattered for several hundred yards thereabout.

All four of the men were seated or standing near the boiler when the explosion came and Sasser, Aultman and Eddins were killed almost instantly. Cauley, who was a little farther away than the others, was struck on the side of the face and head by some object and his skull crushed. He also received a broken arm and was frightfully burned all over the upper part of the body. He was given medical attention but it is not thought that he can live long.

Those who visited the scene state that the bed where the boiler stood looks as though it might have been swept off with a broom, everything close by having been blown away by the force of the explosion.

Mr. Billie Cauley, the owner of the plant lives nearby and was at his home. When he heard the noise being made by the boiler, he knew that the water had run too low, and started in a run for the plant to warn the fireman of the danger in turning in the water. However, before he reached the scene the explosion occurred. It is said that he was within thirty or forty yards of the plant, and that flying objects barely missed him.

Several automobiles from Elba, Opp and the surrounding country visited the scene early Wednesday morning. The entire side of the mill plant next to the boiler is said to have been completely wrecked.

The entire community joins in extending sympathy to the families and loved ones of the dead men.

CONGRESSMAN STEAGALL ADDRESSES CLUB AT NEW BROCKTON.

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New Brockton, Ala., May 20—The Sorosis Club of New Brockton closed its second year's work Wednesday afternoon when Reciprocity Day was observed at the home of Mrs. W. H. Ward. The guests were welcomed on their arrival by the vice-president, Mrs. Lena Brock, and then conducted to greet Mrs. Ward, Congressman Steagall, Mrs. W. H. Edmonds, Misses Miriam Edmonds and Willadine Bush.

Mrs. N. R. Phillips, the president, introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Congressman Steagall, who gave an able address on citizenship. Mr. Steagall is the member of Congress from the Third congressional district. He was especially good on this occasion and gave the women of the Sorosis Club and their guests something tangible to think of.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Prescott and Miss Debata Blocker visited relatives at Opp Sunday.

Miss Kate Rainer, student at Montevalo, arrived the latter part of last week to spend the summer with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Button Larkins and little daughter, of Thomasville, N. C., are spending a few days with Mrs. H. Larkins in West Elba.

Misses Josephine and Mary Olive Carnley, students at Judson College, arrived Tuesday for a visit with their parents, Judge and Mrs. J. A. Carnley.

Messers Wallace and Maurice Law, who are at work near Greenville, spent the week-end with home folks.

Mr. Barney Cole, of Opp, was a visitor at Elba Sunday.

OVER NINE MILLION ALREADY CONTRACTED IN HIGHWAYS.

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Over $9,000,000 worth of highway work has already been contracted in Alabama since the ratification of the $25,000,000 good roads bond issue amendment.

The information made public by the state highway department Thursday afternoon furnishes some idea of the extensiveness of the department's activities within the period indicated. Six hundred and twenty-two miles of state road have been constructed during this period in addition to over two and one-half miles of bridges. Engineers for the department in anticipation of future highway building activities, have surveyed and submitted required data on 579 miles of additional proposed highway routes.

RELIGIOUS DISCUSSION AT SAMSON.

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We have been requested to announce that beginning July 9th and continuing for twelve days there will be a discussion of the doctrine of the Church of Christ and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, at Samson, Alabama. Jesse F. Love, minister of the Church of Christ, and O. Starling, representing the Latter Day Saints, will be the speakers during this discussion.

Anyone desiring further information in regard to this matter may communicate with W. H. Reynolds, Kinston, Ala.

Mr. Albert Perdue, who has been attending the A. P. I., at Auburn, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Perdue.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Rainer, of Brantley, were guests of Elba relatives Sunday.

WITH THE CHURCHES OF ELBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS OF INTEREST FROM FROM OUR RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

BAPTIST CHURCH

Preaching 11.00, a. m. and 8:00 p. m. by Chas. H. Germon Pastor.

Sunday School 9.45 a. m. Grover C. Bowden, Supt.

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Preaching every Sunday, at 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M. F. M. Lowrey, Pastor.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Chas. L. Rowe, Supt.

Epworth League, Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Prayer Service, Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

Woman's Missionary Society, Monday, 3:00 P M.

Next Sunday is Commencement Sunday. Dr. C. C. Daniels, formerly president of the Birmingham-Southern College will deliver the Commencement sermon in this church at eleven o'clock. The choir composed of members from the different churches will have some excellent music on that occasion, and it is hoped that everybody in town will be present to hear both the music and the sermon.

The word "commencement" at the end of the year sounds like a paradox, until we realize that the students have only been in preparation for this long period of years so as to fit them to "commence" the activities of life. So when we are called from this world of preparation into the life to come, we are in the great commencement of eternal life.

We appreciated the presence of our brethren of the other churches last Sunday owing to the absence of their pastors, who were preaching in other places.

We are glad to say that the enthusiasm aroused in the whirl-wind missionary campaign is still fresh, and that the attendance at the different circles last Monday afternoon, though not full, was still above average. Do not let any trivial thing keep you away from these important meetings.

It is refreshing to see with what spirit and zest the Junior League takes hold and holds on. Everybody is aware that they are in session when they begin to sing.

Keep the prayer meeting in mind. It is the place where we meet face to face as folks without any attempt at formality; and where we can express our thoughts in prayer and song and story.

The usual services will be at 8 o'clock in the evening with fifteen minutes of worship in song. We are always glad to see you at service.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible School, 9:45 each Sunday.

Prayer meeting, Wednesday nights of each week, 7:45.

Ladies Meting, Tuesday afternoons at 3:30 P. M. at Church.

Preaching, 2nd and 4th Sundays in each month.

On account of the Commencement Sermon at M. E. Church next Sunday we will have no preaching at the 11:00 o'clock hour, but want a full attendance at the evening service. Good singing. Instructive sermons. Be with us.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. F. A. Symonds, supt.

You are cordially invited to attend all services.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Lee, of Enterprise, were visitors at Elba Sunday afternoon.

OLD LADY SERIOUSLY INJURED THROUGH CARLESSNESS OF A. C. L.

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Enterprise Ledger says:

In pursuance of their branch line policy of "we don't care a hang," the Atlantic Coast Line "Aggravation Special" of last Wednesday, through official indifference and unorganized methods, was the cause of an aged lady being seriously injured.

Mrs. Mary Ann Harvell, whose home is 6 miles south of Troy, was coming to Enterprise on a visit to her son, W. J. Faulkner. On arriving at Enterprise the train drew up to the station in its usual manner and stopped. Passengers arose and began leaving the train. Mrs. Harvell's daughter, who was accompanying her to this city, had a suit case in each hand and had reached the door of the coach. Mrs. Harvell arose from the seat and was standing in the aisle. Suddenly the engine, which was hooked to the front of the train, began moving. Mrs. Harvell's daughter came near falling but caught to the door before so doing, but the old lady was thrown completely down on the floor which resulted in breaking her right hip bone.

At the hour of going to press the injured lady is reported to be doing as well as could be expected, but being 88 years of age, it is doubtful that she will ever walk again.

The people of Elba-Waterford branch have patiently suffered the inconveniences and indignities thrust upon them by the A. C. L. They have long wondered if these things must be endured always. With the trains coming and going in and out of the city as they do, without any sort of consideration being shown to traffic laws as applied to other people, it is indeed a wonder that there have not been a greater number of casualties than have resulted.

The sincere sympathy of the people of this city and surrounding section goes out to the injured one and her relatives, and it is the earnest hope of everyone that she will soon be entirely recovered.

AUTO COP APPOINTED IN PIKE COUNTY.

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Troy, Ala., May 21.—Robert Chambers, of Brundidge, has been appointed speed deputy by Sheriff Carroll and has already assumed his duties. He is equipped with a fast motorcycle with the latest attachments for showing the speed of automobiles. The limit in this county is 30 miles, and Chambers will operate on highways leading into Troy.

MRS. GUNTER TO BE ASSISTANT DEAN AT U. OF A.

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Mrs. Sue Lee Gunter, of Elba, has been appointed assistant Dean at the University of Alabama, according to news just received here by relatives and friends.

Mrs. Gunter's daughter, Mis Mary Lee, is a student at the University and she has been spending the past several months at the institution. Her many friends here will be glad to learn of her appointment as assistant Dean at the college.

Messers John Mason Kimmey, Charlie Ben Ellis and France Farris, students at the University of Alabama, are at home for the summer.

TWO KILLED, THREE INJURED BY LIGHTNING NEAR SAMSON

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Samson, Ala., May 20.—Two small boys, Roy Smith, 12, and Roy McDougal, aged about 5 years, were killed and three other children were injured by lightning in and near Samson Sunday. The three injured children are a brother and two sisters of the Smith boy.

Smith was passing through the hall at his home in Samson, when a bolt of lightning struck, according to reports of the tragedy. The three other children were said to have been in a room.

Roy McDougal was killed by lightning at the McDougal home about three miles from here, according to information received in Samson.

Considerable rainfall accompanied the electrical storm which swept through this section, but no serious property damage resulted from the storm. McDougal was on a bed in his father's home two miles south of town, together with two others, while other members of the family were on another bed. All were shocked into unconsciousness by the stroke which shattered the house on two sides, but all recovered save Roy. The storm lasted but a short while and was of cloudburst volume.

AGED WOMAN KILLS NEGRO PROWLER.

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Dothan, Ala, May 22.—Word was received here Monday of the killing of Arthur Norwood, negro man, by Mrs. Edgienora Parker, seventy-two-year-old white woman, in Headland Saturday night.

Mrs. Parker, who lives all alone in a house in the business part of town, shot and killed the negro man about 9 o'clock Saturday night as the latter was said to have been seen prowling around in her back yard. Mrs Parker heard a noise in the rear of her house and, taking her pistol, went out to investigate. She saw the negro man, who ran. She then sat down on the back doorstep with pistol in hand and waited for him to reappear. When he did, she blazed away, killing him instantly, it is said.

CLEARING RIGHT OF WAY; STEEL POLES ARRIVE.

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Samson Ledger says:

Clearing of right of way for the transmission line from Opp to Samson commenced this week and is being vigorously pushed. A carload of steel poles has been received and is being distributed along the line. These poles are of a braced pattern and will be imbedded in concrete, spaced about 400 feet apart. They will carry the high tension current via Opp from the Pea River Power Company's dam at Elba.

The line follows a tangent all the way, avoiding the curves and crooks of the railroad and the dirt road, and will be about 14 miles long. The distributing line in Samson will probably be run on wooden poles, it was stated by H. A. Dauphin, the local superintendent.

WOODMEN MEET TONIGHT

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Crockett Camp No. 459, W. O. W., will hold a special meeting tonight at their hall in the Page building.

All members of the Camp are urged to be present.

Miss Estelle Bryant returned Monday night from a several days visit to Dothan.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF SCHOOLS WILL BEGIN TONIGHT

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The Commencement exercises of the Elba Public Schools will begin tonight, with entertainment by the Music and Expression departments at the school auditorium, at 7:30 o'clock.

On Friday night the graded school will give their enterment at 7:30 o'clock.

The Commencement sermon will be preached Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock at the Methodist Church, by Rev. C. C. Daniel, of Troy.

The senior class will present its play, "The Prairie Rose," at the auditorium. The seniors have spent much time in preparation for this play and it promises to be one of the best ever presented here.

Then the graduating exercises will be held on Tuesday morning at the auditorium at 10:00 o'clock. Hon. P. P. Claxton, Provost of the University of Alabama, will deliver the address on this occasion.

Patrons and friends of the school are urged to be present at all the exercises.

TROY TAXI DRIVER GIVEN FLOGGING.

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Troy Herald says:

Jim Phenix, local taxi driver, was given a flogging Wednesday night by masked men.

According to Phenix the men found him in a house of ill fame in West Troy, and carried him to a point near Pugh bridge on Conecuh river where he was given a lecture regarding his conduct in the past and followed by a flogging. He was told, he says, to leave the city, which he plans to do as soon as he can make arrangements to leave.

Phenix seems none the worse for his experience and is back on duty, but plans to leave the city shortly. Phenix claims to have recognized three of the five men who were in the crowd, but refused to divulge the names of any of them, stating that he promised the floggers not to reveal their identity.

Miss Alpha Jernigan, popular teacher in the city school, leaves Friday afternoon for her home in Elba. She has won the love and confidence of her little pupils, and while many of them are rejoicing that school days are over, they are shedding tears of regret over a separation from their teacher. By her modest deportment and charming manner she has made many friends here who would be glad to see her return at the beginning of another school term.—Slocomb Observer.

CAT ATTACKS WOMAN

LaFayette, Ala., May 21.—Miss Dorothy Allen, one of the teachers in the LaFayette High School, while in her garden Sunday afternoon gathering flowers, was attacked by a vicious cat. Miss Allen was bitten and severely scratched about the ankles. The cat was killed and the head sent to Montgomery for examination. The report is that evidences of rabies were discovered, and Miss Allen will go to Montgomery for treatment.

Miss Jeanette Garrett, who has been teaching at Fairfax, returned to Elba last week for the summer.

Mrs. Walter Dowling, who has been spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. O. Dowling in Elba, returned to her home in Montgomery Tuesday.

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BROOKLYN SINGING.

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The Brooklyn Singing Society together with others met last second Sunday for an all day singing. House called to order by chairman J. G. Redmon at nine o'clock, singing two songs, Nos. 119 and 159, after which prayer was offered by A. B. Wise. J. E. Harrison was appointed to lead the introductory lesson of four songs, Nos. 172, 497, 384 and 470. The lesson continued by W. N. Colley and Dock Brown.

Organization being in order by motion, and the same officers were retained for the day with the addition of two members to the committee—J. P. Wise and J. O. McKinney. Recess five minutes.

House called to order by the chairman singing one song, 461. Committee reported lesson by four, three songs each: J M. Donaldson, W. J. McKinney, J. F. Rhodes, Noah Helms. Recess five minutes. House called to order by chairman singing one song. Committee reported lesson by four, three songs each: W. J. Moore, J. C. Donaldson, J. P. Wise, R. L. Stanley. One hour for dinner.

House called to order by the chairman singing three songs. Committee reported lesson by four, three songs each: T. P. Donaldson, Joe Holloway, D. S. Teel and J. S. Donaldson. Recess five minutes.

House called to order by the chairman singing one song. Committee reported lesson by five, three songs each: J. C. Austin, N. J. L. Meeks, D W. Allred, W. C. Dubose and J. O. McKinney. Recess 5 minutes.

House called to order by the chairman singing two songs. Committee reported lesson by four, three songs each: Rushing Rotten, C. O. Helms, W. N. Farris and George Spurlin. Closed by the chairman singing "Farewell to All." Prayer was offered by Rev. C. O. Helms.

The Brooklyn Society wishes to thank the visitors for their good singing and co-operation in this days' work.

D. S. Teel, Secretary.

A Serious Situation.

The worst objection to these warm days is that we have no place to carry the things we had in our vest.—Troy Messenger

The Prince of Wales will be president of the National Pony society of Great Britain in 1924

A young lover and his love were attending church. When the basket was passed, the young man explored his pockets, and on finding nothing in then that would pass as money, he whispered to his sugar pie, "I haven't a red cent; I changed my pants." Meanwhile, the dainty flapper, who had been searching her handbag in vain, blushed a rosy red and said, "Same here."—Ex.

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Ellis-Johnson Company,
ELBA, ALABAMA.

ONLY ONE CHANGE MADE IN TEXT BOOKS IN STATE SCHOOLS.

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All text books used in the public schools of Alabama this year will be used next year, with the exception of the physiology. The state text book committee and state board of education reached this conclusion at a recent meeting after a long conference. Contracts with publishers which have furnished the books in the past will be made at once and will be effective for the next school term. During the year the board of education will determine whether or not new books will be placed.

The physiology formerly used was not re-adopted because it contained the picture of a still. Many protests against the re-adoption of the book were received by the board. Bobbs-Merrill Company was awarded the contract for the physiology, it being the Emerson and Bett's series. Book one will be furnished the state for 60 cents each with an exchange price of 54 cents, while book two will cost 84 cents and the exchange price will be 68 cents.

RULES GOVERNING APPLICATIONS FOR PARDON ARE ANNOUNCED.

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The Clipper has received from the Executive Department of the State, the following rules governing the applications for pardons and is publishing the rules for the benefit of those who may be interested in securing a pardon for some one. These rules are sent out by Governor Wm. W. Brandon, and Harwell G. Davis, Chairman, Board of Pardons:

1. All applications for pardons and paroles should be sent to the office of the Governor.

2. All applications for pardons or paroles must first be advertised once a week for two consecutive weeks in some newspaper in the county where conviction was had, stating intention to apply to the Board of Pardons and the Governor for clemency. A copy of the advertisement attached to the affidavit of the publisher should be filed along with the application for parole.

3. When a case has been denied by the Board of Pardons and the Governor, it will not be reconsidered by the Board within six months, and new evidence and new facts, where it is possible, should be filed before asking for a rehearing. Intention to resubmit an application to the Board must be readvertised.

4. Applications for temporary paroles are not submitted to the Board of Pardons. Temporary paroles will not be granted to enable convicts to attend to private business or to visit their families except in cases of extreme emergency and then only as a reward for good behavior.

5. The Board of Pardons meets on the second Tuesday in each month. All applications must be filed in the Governor's office at least five days before the date of submission.

6. The Governor will hear applications for clemency on the first and fourth Tuesdays in each month. In cases where an emergency exists, an engagement can be made with the Governor through his private secretary on days other than those mentioned above.

Will Be A Huge Demand.

It is said that in Turkey they blacken the front of a liar's house. If that custom is ever transferred to this country we want some stock in a black paint factory.—Blocton Enterprise.

Delicate Distinctions.

The difference between a plump woman and a fat one is marriage and about ten years. —Dothan Eagle.

DR. C. S. ALLRED
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REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court in Equity, at Elba, Alabama.

State of Alabama and Coffee County vs Mrs. Rena Godwin

By virtue of a decree rendered at the February Term, 1923, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, at the Court house door in Coffee County, in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY of JUNE, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

NE¼ of NW¼, Sec. 24, 10 acres S. S. of SW¼ of SE¼ Sec. 13; NE¼ of NE¼ Sec. 24, Tp. 3, R. 22, containing 90 acres.

Said lands will be sold for 1920 taxes and costs.

This the 15th day of May, 1923.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court in Equity, at Elba, Alabama.

State of Alabama and Coffee County vs J. H. and Allie Calhoun

By virtue of a decree rendered at the September Term, 1922, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, at the Court house door in Coffee County, in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY of JUNE, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

SW¼ of SW¼, Section 3, Tp. 5, R. 19, Coffee County, Alabama.

Said lands will be sold for 1920 taxes and costs.

This the 15th day of May, 1923.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court in Equity, at Elba, Alabama.

State of Alabama and Coffee County vs Henry Grant

By virtue of a decree rendered at the September Term, 1922, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, at the Court house door in Coffee County, in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY of JUNE, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

S½ of SW¼, N½ of SW¼, less 40 acres NE of Railroad, Sec. 7, Tp. 3, R. 19, Coffee County, Alabama.

Said lands will be sold for 1920 taxes and costs.

This the 15th day of May, 1923.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court in Equity, at Elba, Alabama.

State of Alabama and Coffee County vs T. H. Herrington

By virtue of a decree rendered at the February Term, 1923, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, at the Court house door in Coffee County, in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY of JUNE, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

NE¼ of NE¼, Sec. 19, Tp. 3, R. 21, and 10 acres W. S. NW¼ of NW¼ Sec 20, Tp. 3, R. 21, containing 50 acres.

Said lands will be sold for 1920 taxes and costs.

This the 15th day of May, 1923.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

THE JIM ALLEN SINGING.

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The house was called to order by the chairman singing two songs. Then the chairman led in prayer and sang one song. Committee reported lesson by two, three songs each: J. J Sanders and S. H. Tindol. Recess five minutes.

Class called to order by the chairman singing one song and committee reported another lesson by three, three songs each: E. A. Lowery, N Y. Boles and J. I. Maddox. Recess five minutes.

Class called to order by the chairman singing two songs. Committee reported lessons by three, three songs each: J. F. Brooks, Beresford Lowery and W. H. Butts. Recess five minutes. Class called to order by chairman singing two songs. Committee reported another lesson by three, three songs each: R. C. Lowery, C T. Pope and D. L Brooks.

Then the chairman sang three songs and Beresford Lowery dismissed with prayer. Everybody come and be with us the second Sunday evening in June.

Mrs. Jennie Allen, Secty.

More at The Source.

Mrs. Brown: "There is not a boy in this town who is as clever as our Tom."

Mrs. Black: "How is that?"

Mrs. Brown: "Look at these two chairs. Tom made them out of his own head, and he has wood enough left to make an armchair."—Ex.

REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court in Equity, at Elba, Alabama.

State of Alabama and Coffee County vs C. H. Rowe and Malissa Rowe

By virtue of a decree rendered at the September Term, 1922, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, at the Court house door in Coffee County, in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY of JUNE, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

SE¼ of SE¼, Sec. 34, Tp. 5, R. 20; NW¼ of NW¼, Sec. 2; NE¼ of NE¼, Sec 3, Tp. 4, R. 20, and NE¼ of SE¼, Sec. 34, Tp. 5, R. 20, containing 160 acres.

Said lands will be sold for 1920 taxes and costs.

This the 15th day of May, 1923.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court in Equity, at Elba, Alabama.

State of Alabama and Coffee County vs Mrs. N. H. Waters

By virtue of a decree rendered at the September Term, 1922, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, at the Court house door in Coffee County, in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY of JUNE, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

S½ of NE¼, less 5 acres in NE corner; N½ of SE¼, SE¼ of SE¼, 18 acres NE corner SW¼ of SE¼, 1 acre NW¼ of SW¼, 24 acres NE corner NE¼ of SW¼, S½ of NW¼, less 15 acres SW corner, Sec. 13, Tp. 6, R. 21, and containing 303 acres.

Said lands will be sold for 1920 taxes and costs.

This the 15th day of May, 1923.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court in Equity, at Elba, Alabama.

State of Alabama and Coffee County vs Neal Hutchison

By virtue of a decree rendered at the September Term, 1922, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, at the Court house door in Coffee County, in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY of JUNE, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

20 acres NE¼ of SE¼, less 5 acres NE corner, less 2 acres, Sec. 28, Tp. 5. Range 20, containing 13 acres.

Said lands will be sold for 1920 taxes and costs.

This the 15th day of May, 1923.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

Be Careful and Systematic

People who pay their bills by check get a reputation for being CAREFUL and SYSTEMATIC IN their business dealings. Such a reputation means much in the establishment of credit. It costs no more to pay your money out by check than it does to use the hard cash, and you have the advantage of having it in a place that is absolutely SAFE.

To have MONEY IN THE BANK is of itself a valuable asset in the establishment of credit. And it is possible to practically everyone without a cent of cost. It takes no more money to do business by the checking method than it does by the cash-in-hand method.

We invite you to open a checking account with us. We will help you to make your account a real convenience.

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TAKE A LOOK AT OUR NEW CANDY CASE.

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REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court in Equity, at Elba, Alabama.

State of Alabama and Coffee County vs L. H. Folsom

By virtue of a decree rendered at the February Term, 1923, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, at the Court house door in Coffee County, in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY of JUNE, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

NE¼ of NE¼, Sec. 31, 13 acres W. S. NW¼ of NW¼, Sec. 32, 31 acres W. S. E½ of SE¼, Sec. 30, Tp. 6, R. 22., containing 84 acres.

Said lands will be sold for 1920 taxes and costs.

This the 15th day of May, 1923.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

Breck's Ancient Grudge.

Breck Musgrove, Walker County's prophet of flapdoodle never did have any luck in predicting the election of any of Oscar Underwood's opponents.-Montgomery Advertiser.

The largest asbestos mines in the world are in Quebec province.

---PUBLIC SALES---

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We have purchased 122,000 pair U. S. Army Munson last shoes, sizes 5½ to 12 which was the entire surpuls stock of one of the largest U. S. Government shoe contractors.

This shoe is guaranteed one hundred percent solid leather, color dark tan, bellows tongue, dirt and water proof. The actual value of this shoe is $6.00. Owing to this tremendous buy we can offer same to the public at $2.95.

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United States Tires are Good Tires

THE 30x3½ "Usco" is still the fabric money's-worth of America. If your dealer tries to sell you something else he won't be surprised if you tell him "No."

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CHARLES AUSTIN BATES SAYS:

"The Time to Advertise Is All The Time."-----

AFTER A BALL STARTS TO ROLL IT WILL GO A CERTAIN DISTANCE MERELY BY REASON OF ITS OWN MOMENTUM.

THE HEAVIER AND BIGGER IT IS THE FURTHER IT WILL ROLL. IT MAY HAVE BEEN PRETTY HARD TO START IT IN THE FIRST PLACE, BUT ONCE YOU GET IT GOING A LITTLE PUSH NOW AND THEN WILL BE ALL THAT IS NECESSARY.

IF THE GROUND IS SOFT AND ROUGH YOU WILL HAVE TO PUSH PRETTY HARD. WHEN YOU GET TO SMOOTH PLACES IT WILL BE EASIER.

THE BALL OF BUSINESS IS HARD TO MOVE IN HOT WEATHER. THE GROUND IS MORE OR LESS STICKY AND THERE IS A GREAT DEAL OF FRICTION. STILL, IF YOU PUSH HARD ENOUGH, YOU CAN MOVE IT.

IN THE FALL, WHEN COOL WEATHER HAS MADE THE ROAD TO TRADE EASIER AND SMOOTHER, YOU WILL NOT HAVE TO PUSH SO HARD UNLESS YOU WANT THE BALL TO GO FASTER. IF YOU DO NOT PUSH AT ALL IT WILL COME TO A STANDSTILL EVEN ON A SHEET OF GLASS.

SOMEBODY HAS SAID: **"THE TIME TO ADVERTISE IS ALL THE TIME."**

THAT IS ONE OF THE SMARTEST THINGS THAT WAS EVER UTTERED.

IF YOU DO NOT ADVERTISE IN THE SUMMER—IF YOU DO NOT PUSH THE BALL AT ALL—IT WILL STOP. IF YOU DO NOT ADVERTISE IN THE BUSY SEASON, BUSINESS WILL GO ON FOR A CERTAIN TIME AT A SLOW RATE OF SPEED. BUT IF YOU WANT TO GET OVER A GOOD DEAL OF GROUND IN A SHORT TIME, YOU HAD BETTER PUSH IT ALONG LIVELY.

THE BEST THING TO PUSH IT WITH IS GOOD, LIBERAL ADVERTISING IN AN OLD RELIABLE NEWSPAPER LIKE **THE ELBA CLIPPER.** A PECULIAR THING ABOUT THE ROAD TO BUSINESS SUCCESS IS THAT IT RUNS UPHILL—IF YOU STOP PUSHING YOUR BALL IT WILL ROLL DOWN.

THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS STANDING STILL.

SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL HOUSE FIRE COST LIVES OF 76 MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN

FALLING OF OIL LAMP IN PLAY CAUSES FIRE; MANY TRAPPED IN BUILDING AND BURN TO DEATH; A FEW ESCAPE BY JUMPING FROM WINDOWS; AWFUL TRAGEDY COMES AT CLOSING OF SCHOOL.

Camden, S. C., May 18—Bathed in the glory of a setting South Carolina sun, 62 bodies, that less than 24 hours before had been fun loving men, women and children late today were placed in one big grave in Beulah Methodist church yard. Three thousand South Carolinians, led by Gov. Thomas G. McLeod, gathered from all parts of the state to pay a last tribute to those who had perished in the burning of the Cleveland school house last night, stood with bared heads throughout the brief, simple funeral service.

The bodies were those out of at least 73 dead which could not be identified. They were buried within a few hundred yards of the spot where on last night they had gathered for the commencement exercises of the community school and where an oil lamp, dashed from its hanger on the ceiling over the auditorium stage, had turned the little country school into a funeral pyre.

Cleveland, S. C., Mty 18.—From the dismal ashes where the Cleveland township school house and assembly hall reared its rickety frame as the pride of the cross-roads, the bodies of 73 men, women and children, burned to death in the disaster which has stunned the south, were removed today. The grisly objects represented 15 per cent of the community's entire population.

Cleveland, a loosely settled farm township, comprising only 490 souls, and having no incorporated village at the last census, put on squeaky shoes and stand-up collars Thursday night to make fete at the children's "theatricals" in the upstairs hall of the school. The boisterous antics of the child actors in a farce called "Miss Topsy Turvey," jolted loose a hook in one of the rafters from which depended one of the kerosene lamps. In that dreadful instant Cleveland was plunged from innocent merriment and homely pride in its children to tragedy and horror beyond description.

Showers of Liquid Fire.

The lamp struck the pine floor with a booming explosion, which showered liquid fire upon the country folk in their seats and filled the room with flame. There was a rush of blazing, screaming humanity for the single stairway. A few nearest the windows smashed the panes and with their clothing afire hurled themselves like comets through the darkness. Two who did so had their backs broken by the fall.

The first surges down the stairs sent most of the audience into the open air where they were able to strip off their things and save themselves from anything worse than severe burns. But with those who were farthest from the mouth of the stairway pressing frenzidly from behind it was inevitable that there would be a jam in the bottle-neck of the little vestibule at the bottom. When this occurred the stairs became overloaded and with a crashing of timbers collapsed into the red pit. There was no chance to save life then though many bravely tried again and again to drive themselves through the fire far enough to reach the victims. A few at the entrance were dragged out, but the others were doomed.

Whole Building Ablaze.

The town nearest to Cleveland is Camden, eight miles northwest. Columbia is 35 miles southwest. There was no problem of fire apparatus. Almost from the instant of the explosion the building was alive with flames inside and wrapped into fire without. No heroism, no fire fighting apparatus could have availed.

Practically all of Cleveland township's white population gathered at the school for "the theatricals," one of the gay occasions in the eventless existence of the countryside. They drove in from their acres in flivvers, in a few cars of prouder trade mark and in buggies. Some few came from Camden, showing a neighborly interest in the affairs of the smaller community.

The explosion occurred shortly after 9 o'clock Thursday night. There were outstanding deeds of chivalry. One man who leaped from the window but nevertheless was horribly burned made repeated attempts to go back to the collapsed stairway for his mother, who perished. There also appeared to have been cases in which the instinct of selfpreservation conquered all else, for children wre struck down and trampled in the rush. Some of these little forms recovered Friday morning could not be identified.

'It Was All So Horrible I Can Hardly Realize What Happened' Says Boy Who Saw Comrades Die.

Camden, S. C., May 18—"Topsy-Turvey" was the play which was going on when the fire started and the blaze began as we were shifting the scenery between the second and third acts," C. C. Bruce, 19, who played the part of Ned in the comedy the Cleveland school was presenting as part of its commencement exercises, said in telling the Associated Press today of the catastrophe that cost at least 76 lives. "It was all so horrible, I can hardly realize it. Four of the eight who were on the stage are now dead.

"I was standing right under the oil lamp which was swinging from the ceiling and was partly hidden behind the curtain when suddenly it fell. Some believe the heat from the lamp melted the soldering and loosened the iron ring causing it to fall. Others say the curtain, as it was let down at the end of the second act struck the lamp and loosened it. Anyway, it fell and oil ran out over the floor and blazed up.

Scenery Catches Fire.

"At first people screamed and began to get up, but we told them we could put it out and we tried to do so. The flimsy draperies caught, however, and soon the stage and platform were ablaze. Then every one acted panicky and began to rush for the stairway, the only exit and a very narrow and rickety one. There were about 300 people in the audience, I believe.

"The men tried to keep the crowd from pushing each other down the steps but could not control them and the flames were licking closer on all sides. Soon some of the people in the hall began going to the windows and jumping out. Mothers threw their children to ones below and some jumped after them. I remember Mr. Stoney Campbell, whose daughter was trapped on the stairway and burned to death, threw his wife out of the window and jumped after her. She broke her leg, but both escaped.

Four of Cast Killed.

"There were none besides the principal, Miss Ina Mae Stephens, Miss Eula Prosser and Miss Esta Garvin, teachers on the stage with us, who were in the play. The cast was composed of eight, four of whom, Ima Arrants, Ola Phillips, Berle Hendrix and Jack Rush are dead. Jack was originally from Spartanburg, I believe, and has a brother who is a reporter on the Spartanburg Herald. Besides myself, the ones who escaped were Otis Arrants, Kate Dixon and Parker Davis. The worst part of it all was trying to help those caught in the blazing building.

"I got out by jumping across the bannisters and down to the first floor instead of using the stairs. Shortly after I got out of the building the stairway collapsed and there was a struggling mass of people, many badly hurt, some even then dying, I guess. The splinters from the jagged edge where the stairway gave way caught fire and burning pieces of wood fell upon those fighting for their lives in the pile of debris. Theonly light was from the fire itself and the heat was intense.

Horrible Scene Enacted.

"I pulled at those in the door way until I saw it was useless and many of us stood under the windows trying to catch the children who were thrown out, and to break the fall of those who jumped. Automobile seats were placed under the windows to break the fall as much as possible, but few who did not get out early by the doorway escaped with less than a broken wrist or ankle.

"Soon the clothing of those yet inside began to catch fire and the cries and groans of the dying added to the horror of the scene. Then the building collapsed, and well, I guess you know the rest. I'll never forget it."

As an after-thought the youth who had played a part in "Topsy-Turvey," and who had for a last act played an heroic part in helping to rescue the trapped added:

"And the tragedy of it all is that the building had been condemned and this was to be the last commencement ever held in it. Next year the boys and girls of the Cleveland school community were to be in a new school house."

TWO BOYS DROWNED.

Macon, Ga., May 17.—Walter Jones, aged 8, and his brother, Riley Jones, age 10, were drowned in a pond near Perry, Ga., this afternoon. They were out with several school children hunting plums, and when they came to a pond in the woods, decided to go in swimming. The two lads dropped out of sight when they reached the center of the pond, their bodies being found half an hour later in an old well, all trace of which had been covered by the pond of water.

According to compilations from the United States War Department there were enough Browns in the war to furnish a whole combat division against the Germans.

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The sizes are 6 to 11 all widths; Pay Postman on receipt of goods or send money order. Money refunded if shoes are not satisfactory.

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REGISTER'S SALE.

The State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court in Equity, at Elba, Alabama.

State of Alabama and Coffee County vs W. H. Martin

By virtue of a decree rendered at the February Term, 1923, of the Circuit Court in Equity at Elba, Alabama, Coffee County, in said cause, I shall proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at public auction, at the Court house door in Coffee County, in the town of Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on MONDAY, the 11TH DAY of JUNE, 1923, the following described property, to-wit:

SE¼ of SW¼, SW¼ of SW¼, Sec. 26, Tp. 3, R. 22; SE¼ of SE¼ Sec. 27, Tp. 3, R. 22, containing 120 acres. Also 1 six room House and lot in New Brockton, Alabama.

Said lands will be sold for 1920 taxes and costs.

This the 15th day of May, 1923.

S. H. BROCK, Register.

Less Than Two Minutes.

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Wonder how long those young women who sought to break records for continuous dancing would hold out sweeping the floor or churning?—Roanoke Leader.

Flowers for perfume are picked at the hour when their scent is strongest.

POOR ORIGINAL

BLEED THROUGH

CONGRESSMAN STEAGALL PREDICTS VICTORY OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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Henry B. Steagall, congressman from the third congressional district, is in Montgomery to attend and address the convention of Alabama bankers. Mr. Steagall is a member of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, and is optimistic over Democratic prospects in 1924.

"I am convinced the Democrats will sweep the country in 1924 if we stick to domestic questions and the record of the Republican party," said Congressman Steagall. "President Harding and other Republican leaders are attempting to inject foreign affairs into the campaign. They are trying to lead us 'snipe hunting.' The people of the United States are engrossed right now with domestic issues and we should stick to domestic issues and the record as written by the Republican administration."

Congressman Steagall says the general opinion in Washington among both Democrats and Republicans is that 1924 will be a Democratic year. He says however, there is considedable time yet to elapse before the campaign gets warm and many things may happen.

"If the election were held now and the Democrats would stick to domestic issues and the Republican party record, a landslide would result," says Mr. Steagall.. "However, you realize the domestic condition of the country in a presidential year is largely responsible for the mental and voting attitude of the people. It behooves the Democrats to be careful, stay in the middle of the road and not be led away on false issues."

Congressman Steagall does not believe the prohibition issue will disturb the serenity of Democrats, in spite of the activity of the wets in some sections of the country. "I hope we will be sane in this respect. We know, or should know, no man branded as an avowed candidate of the 'wets' and standing on a platform for the repeal of prohibition measures could be elected President of the United States."

Congressman Steagall is awaiting the return of Senator Underwood from Europe and some declaration by the senior Alabama senator. He could not express himself definitely because he had no advices, but he believes Senator Underwood will first declare himself relative to the presidential nomination when he addresses a joint session of the Alabama legislature when it re-convenes in July.

Congressman Steagall is a former solicitor in his district. He was a member of the former code legislative committee when the present code was adopted in 1907. He succeeded Henry D. Clayton in congress and has been re-elected since. He is regarded as one of the leaders among the Democrats in the house.

Asked relative to his address to the bankers, Congressman Steagall said, "I came here for the benefit to myself of contact with the Alabama bankers and getting their advice and giving them advice. They are bankers while I am not. We have some measures before congress upon which we want the sound advice of the bankers and I am a seeker after information and not a giver of information. A shoemaker should stick to his last. The Alabama bankers are capable of giving me good advice and I earnestly seek it."—Montgomery Advertiser.

HIS BIT.

One sleeve hung empty, one leg was abbreviated at the knee and on his breast gleamed four medals for bravery in battle. A woman stopped him on the street and inquired patronizingly:

"Did you get your injuries in real action?"

"No'm" he replied promptly. "I was dog robber for the Capn when we were up on the Argonne. He asked me to clean out his canary's cage and the darn bird bit me."—Ex.

California leads in the production of white fir, redwood and sugar pine.

HENS IN ALABAMA LAY $10,413,000.

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Montgomery, Ala., May 19—Forty-one million six hundred and fifty-six thousand dozen eggs produced by Alabama hens in 1922 added $10,413,000 to the income of the farmers and chicken fanciers of the state in 1922. This compares with a value of $9,440,000 for the 30,749,000 dozen eggs produced in Alabama in 1921. These comparative figures from the report of the United States Statistical Department and made public by H. M. Robertson, director of the division of pure foods, feeds and drugs of the state department of agriculture, will in all likelihood prove a revelation to many citizens.

In Montgomery county alone the production of eggs increased in 1922 from 430,000 dozen the total for the previous year, to 636,000 dozen. The value of the 1922 production was $159,000, as compared with $143,000 the previous year. During 1922 DeKalb county and Jackson county led the state with the production of 1,200,000 dozen eggs each, the value of the production in each instance being $300,000.

FISK TIRES

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TRUCK FARMING PAYS.

Florala, Ala., May 21.—The possibilities of making money in truck farming has again been demonstrated by Dock Gomillion, who farms between Florala and Laurel Hill, Florida. Last fall Mr. Gomillion planted three-fourths of an acre of Bermuda onions. Last week he sold half of his crop from this small plot to the Farmers' Exchange for a cash price of $156.80. The other half of the crop will be harvested and marketed within the next few days and will probably bring a like amount of money to this farmer.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

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The State of Alabama, Coffee County. Circuit Court, May 22, 1923.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the mandate of an execution in favor of Winter Hardware Co., and against J. M. Harris, issued out of the Circuit Court at Elba, of said County, I will on the 25th day of June, 1923, between the hours of 11 A. M., and 3 P. M., at the West door of the courthouse in the Town of Elba, Alabama, offer for sale at public outcry to satisfy the debt herein and the cost accrued, the following property of said J. M. Harris, to-wit:

An undivided one-half interest in the following described real estate, in the Town of Elba, Coffee County, Alabama, to-wit: One one-story brick storehouse and lot, bounded on the North by property of D. J. Brooks, East by street and public square, South by Davis Street, and West by alley; same being occupied by Hay Mercantile Co.

Also one two-story brick storehouse and lot, bounded on the North by Wilkerson property, East by street and public square, South by D. J. Brooks property, and West by alley; same being occupied by W. C. Boutwell, et als.

Witness my hand this 22nd day of May, 1923.

W. H. WATKINS, Sheriff.

ALABAMA LEASE SYSTEM WORSE THAN FLORIDA'S, WOMEN VOTERS ARE TOLD.

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Birmingham, Ala., May 21—That Alabama would have a worse reputation than Florida, if the concealed truth were known about the methods of the convict lease system, was not only the statement of one, but the concensus of opinion among several speakers who addressed representatives of civic organizations, under the auspices of the League of Women Voters tonight.

Two of those who spoke had been members of the Alabama legislature, and one had been on a recess committee appointed to investigate the convict lease system itself, and, with others, had personally visited the prisoners at work in the coal mines. They made pleas for the abolition of the convict lease system.

W. C. Davis, of Jasper, former member of the legislature; John C. Arnold, also former legislator; Judge William E. Fort, of the Jefferson county circuit court, and Irvin Engle, of the Birmingham bar, were those who spoke. Mr. Davis cited the explosion in the Banner mines some years ago when scores of convicts, there against their wills, were killed. These men, he said, could have been reformed, they were good physical material, they could have been rehabilitated. They died an awful death to which there was no excuse for subjecting them

Charges High Death Rate.

"We are training Alabama girls in a state college at Montevalo within sight of another institution where free labor refuses to work. Count the unknown graves in the woods back of the college," he continued, "where the mine victims are buried, if you want to know the death toll of miner convicts. Last year there were nearly twice as many accidental deaths of convicts in the mines as were claimed in the whole state convict system by pneumonia and tuberculosis combined."

Giving comparisons, he said both Georgia and Mississippi had abolished the lease system and Alabama could do the same by putting the convicts on farms and the public roads.

"Four years ago," said Mr. Davis, "there were only three states within the convict lease system—North Carolina, Alabama and Florida, and today Florida is the most adversely advertised state in the union and today Alabama would be worse off than Florida if the truth were known and the facts published."

Attacks System.

"You can kill a cow at the state penitentiary," Mr. Arnold said, "requisition another and be told the first must be paid for, but kill or maim a convict and another is practically instantly available without charge other than for his work. The wardens' salaries are supplemented by the mines. I make that statement from testimony given the legislative investigating committee several years ago by men under oath. The man handling the convict must humble him. The convict leaves the stockade under state guard, but at the mine is turned over to a check runner, an old and hardened convict who is responsible for the work the convict turns out. The check runner's first duty is to get the newcomer under control."

The meeting elected officers to definitely inaugurate and press a campaign to abolish the lease system regarding convicts in Alabama.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

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The Tax Adjuster has completed his work of adjusting the taxes of Coffee County for the year 1923, and has returned his report, which is open for inspection. Said Tax Adjuster will be in the Tax Assessor's office at Elba for one week beginning on June 4, 1923, and at Enterprise for one week beginning on June 18, 1923, for the purpose of correcting any errors which may have been made in assessments or valuations.

This, May 11, 1923.

D. C. MARLEY,
Tax Assessor, Coffee County.

JINRIGHT SUES FOR DEATH OF HIS WIFE.

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Montgomery, Ala., May 17—Suit for $50,000 damages was filed in United States District court here Thursday by J. D. Jinright, as administrator, against the Gulf Refining Company, of Louisiana, a corporation, and S. W. Studdard. The damages are claimed for the death of Jessie Jinright, wife of the plaintiff, which is alleged to have occurred as a result of an explosion of kerosene sold by the defendant company.

The bill filed here claims that the Gulf Refining Company sold kerosene of inferior quality to W. C. Fuller, a merchant near Troy, Ala., from whom it is alleged the intestate purchased a supply. It is claimed that in filling a lamp with the supposed kerosene in a room where there was a fire an explosion occurred which resulted in her death.

Studdard is named as a defendant in the suit, on the ground that he was the local agent for the company at Troy. The case was removed to the United States district court here from Pike county. C. C. Brannen is named as attorney for the plaintiff, and J. H. Wilkerson and Steiner, Crum and Weil for the defendants.

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CIVIC BODIES TO ADVERTISE STATE

Conference Called in Birmingham June 9th to Launch Campaign.

Chambers of Commerce and other civic and commercial bodies throughout Alabama are banding together in a state-wide movement to advertise the State of Alabama and its resources to the outside world.

Following an enthusiastic meeting held in Birmingham, May 5th, of Chambers of Commerce Secretaries from Gadsden, Mobile, Tuscaloosa, Bessemer, Montgomery, Samson, Alexander City, Huntsville, Albany-Decatur and Birmingham, a joint invitation has been extended to all county commissioners of each county, members of the State Harbor Commission, Governor W. W. Brandon, executives of railroads operating in the state, editors and executives of public utilities to meet in Birmingham on June 9th to set in motion a nation wide advertising and publicity program about Alabama.

The projected campaign will deal with the agricultural advantages, mineral resources, industrial assets, manufacturing opportunities and economic and civic progress of each portion of the state with due regard to equitabe representation for each section of Alabama. The campaign will be directed towards attracting new industries and farmers to the state. The cooperation of each comuntwillbsought o c e y d munityan munity and county will be sought, following a survey to determine what each community and section has to offer in the way of industrial, commercial or agricultural advantages. The advertising and publicity campaign will be conducted through the medium of magazines, newspapers and other periodicals of national circulation.

All Chambers of Commerce and similar organizations in every city in the state are cordially invited to attend the conference on June 9th. O. L. Bunn, Secretary-Manager of the Brmingham Chamber of Commerce, who was elected general chairman of the campaign at the meeting on May 5th, urges the attendance of at least one representative from all commercial and civic organizations. "This is the most significant and far reaching movement ever launched in Alabama's history." Mr. Bunn declares. "It should consolidate the civic interests of each community into a centralized effort on behalf of putting Alabama in the spot light of public attention."

A business like program, featuring however, a few speakers of note and ability, will be presented at the conference on June 9th. An executive committee, authorized at the first session on May 5th, will have general supervision of the campaign, and will hold a meeting in the next few days to arrange details.

The present movement is the first time in the history of Alabama, that Chambers of Commerce have united in behalf of a statewide publicity project. W. F. Black, Secretary of the Montgomery, Ala., Chamber of Commerce, declares that it is Alabama's great opportunity. H. A. Wheeling, of Huntsville, asserts that it is going to draw all sections of the state more closely together in the bonds of common effort for the benefit of all. Every Secretary who attended the first meeting is enthusiastically supporting the movement, and in addition numerous letters of endorsement have been received from [illegible] not represented.

FLORALA LAD IS DROWNED

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Florala, Ala., May 21.—Sigurd Snuggs, a member of the first grade of Florala city schools, was drowned accidentally in McRae mill pond Saturday morning. His body remained in the water more than an hour before it was found and all efforts at resuscitation failed to bring back the spark of life. He was carried to the mill at McRae by his father in the morning and was fishing in the mill pond when he fell in. No one saw him when he fell into the water and it was about 45 minutes before he was missed by those around the mill. A search revealed his body in a deep part of the pond. He was brought to his home in Florala and buried Sunday.

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POLICEMAN KILLS CITIZEN

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Florence, Ala., May 21.—Felton Wilcoxen, 34, was shot and killed shortly before noon yesterday at St. Joseph, Tenn., by Grover Perry, a policeman at that place. Perry was arrested immediately after the shooting and lodged in jail at Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. Although there were two eye witnesses to the killing, neither of them will make any statement as to the cause of the shooting.

Out of every 1,000 people born in California every year, 19.2 are Chinese.

Dangerous Pastimes.

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Just as little Johnnie persists in playing with fire, the grown-up Johnnies persist in fooling themselves with thet fire-water.—Albany-Decatur Daily.

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ELBA SCHOOLS CLOSE SUCCESSFUL TERM WITH GRADUATING EXERCISES TUESDAY

SPLENDID COMMENCEMENT PROGRAMS ARE RENDERED BY ALL DEPARTMENTS; TWELVE BOYS AND GIRLS RECEIVE DIPLOMAS FRO MHIGH SCHOOL.

The 1922-23 session of the Elba Schools came to a close on Tuesday morning with the graduating exercises, when diplomas from the High School were delivered to a class of twelve, and promotion certificates were issued to pupils in the other grades.

Although there have been many obstacles to hinder, the schools have had a very successful session. Superintendent B. H. Boyd, Sr., and his faculty have labored strenuously for the success of the school and much good work has been done.

The Commencement Exercises of the Elba Schools began on last Thursday evening when a recital was given by the music and expression departments of the school. The program was one consisting of songs, readings, piano solos, pantomines, etc., and was participated in by both small and large pupils of these two departments. It was a fine program, and each number was well rendered, showing that the pupils in these departments have had able direction during the year.

On Friday evening a program was rendered by the pupils of the elementary grades, which consisted of the following numbers:

Chorus: The Public Schools Will Make Us True Americans."—Third Grade.

Rustic Song and Drill—Irish—Fourth grade.

Play: "The Sleeping Beauty."—Johnston—First and Second Grades.

Chorus: "Mammy's Lullaby"—Van Dyke—Fourth Grade Girls.

Drill: "Guess Who."—Eldridge—Third Grade Boys.

Play: "Scenes from Hiawatha."—Longfellow—5th Grade

On Sunday morning at the Methodist Church the commencement sermon was preached by Rev. C. C. Daniels, of Troy, pastor of the First Methodist Church of that city. Those who heard the sermon were fortunate for it was a great deliverance. The sermon was appropriate and one of the most eloquent ever heard in Elba. The music for the occasion was unusually good, the choir consisting of members of all denominations here.

On account of the heavy rain which came up just at the hour for these services, many people who intended being present could not get to the church. All who attended were well repaid for their presence in the splendid sermon and the excellent music.

On Monday night at the school auditorium the senior class gave a play entitled "A Prairie Rose." The play was well rendered, each member carrying his part well, and a splendid audience was present to witness the play.

The exercises came to a close on Tuesday morning when the following program was rendered:

Piano Solo—"Grand Valse Caprice" — Engelman — Miss Mary Amos.

Invocation—Rev, Chas. H. Germon.

Chorus—"Amorosa" —Boex

Salutatory—Miss Jessie Windham.

Piano Solo—2nd Mazurka—Godard—Miss Augusta Belle Small.

Address—Hon. P. P. Claxton.

Song—Senior Class.

Valedictory—Miss Augusta Belle Small.

Delivery of Diplomas—Supt. B. H. Boyd.

Chorus—"On The Road To Mandalay"—Speaks.

Benediction by Rev. W. T. Grider.

The following boys and girls were granted diplomas from the High School: Miss Laura Bryait, Alpheus Ellis, John Garrett, Judson Germon, Joe Jernigan, Miss Rena Lee, Byrd Mitchell, Sam Rowe, Miss Augusta Belle Small, Rudolph Wright, Miss Jessie Windham, and Sollie Brunson.

MR. CAULEY DIES FROM INJURIES IN BOILER EXPLOSION.

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Mr. Tommie Cauley, young white man who was seriously injured in the boiler explosion West of Elba on Wednesday morning of last week died on Thursday night.

Mr. Cauley's death brought the total up to four who lost their lives in the explosion, three men having been killed on the scene almost instantly. A very sad incident in connection with Mr. Cauley's death, is that he had just married on Sunday before the fatal accident. This whole section of the state was made sad on account of the tragic death of the four men.

TROY CAPITALIST IS FOUND WITH BULLET HOLE THROUGH HEAD

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Fort Deposit, Ala., May 29—With a bullet hole through his head the body of Jerry Augustas Henderson, a prominent business man of Troy, was found beside the road near Sandy Ridge, about 11 o'clock today by Gordon Reese, Pugh Haynes and Claybourn Payne.

Beside the body was an automatic pistol and about one hundred yards away was the automobile in which Mr. Henderson left Troy about 4 or 5 o'clock Tuesday morning according to information received from relatives there.

Examination of the body showed that the bullet entered the head just above the left ear and came out in the back of the head. It developed at the coroner's inquest that Mr. Henderson was left handed although it was stated that he used his right hand to write with, using the left hand for all other purposes.

Suicide Theory.

Immediately upon receiving the news of the tragedy and that the dead man wore a Shriner's emblem, several of the Fort Deposit citizens who are members of that order went to the scene and made a thorough investigation. No evidence of foul play could be found and the conclusion was reached that Mr. Henderson came to his death at his own hands, though no reason for the rash act could be assigned.

When found the body was cold and had evidently been dead since about 7 or 8 o'clock in the morning. Examination showed nearly a hundred dollars in the pockets, various items of jewelry such as a man usually wears, and no sign of a scuffle near the body.

Relatives at Troy were communicated with and instructions given to take the body to Montgomery, where it will be prepared for burial. The body was accompanied to Montgomery by C. E. Hawkins, J. S. Gholson and C. M. Davis, Fort Deposit business men and members of Alcazar Shrine Temple, Montgomery.

Mr. Henderson is survived by his widow, one little girl, his father, J. C. Henderson, of Troy, and two sisters, Mrs. Edgar M. Wright and Mrs. Emery Folmar.

WITH THE CHURCHES OF ELBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS OF INTEREST FROM FROM OUR RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

BAPTIST CHURCH

Preaching 11.00, a. m. and 8:00 p. m. by Chas. H. Germon Pastor.

Sunday School 9.45 a. m. Grover C. Bowden, Supt.

A very encouraging feature last Sunday was the increased attendance at Sunday School. We had the largest attendance we've had in several months. Let every one get busy and build up the attendance until all the constituency of the Church is enrolled in the Sunday School.

On account of the pastor's absence Sunday before last and the commencement sermon last Sunday, we haven't had a morning service for two weeks. We will have our regular eleven o'clock service next Sunday and preparation is being made to make it a very helpful as well as interesting service.

A special feature of the morning service will be a number rendered by the male quartet. Other special music will be rendered at both services.

All are cordially invited to attend these as well as all other services of the Church.

METHODIST CHURCH

Preaching every Sunday, at 11:00 A. M. and 8:00 P. M., F. M. Lowrey, Pastor.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Chas. L. Rowe, Supt.

Epworth League, Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Prayer Service, Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

Woman's Missionary Society, Monday, 3:00 P M.

There is seating capacity in the churches of this country for fifty-five million people, or close to one-half of its population, and yet there are instances where there have been known to be be unoccupied pews at the Sunday services. There is seating capacity in automobiles for every one of the millions of inhabitants of the United States, but you seldom see a vacant seat in one. If we depended on consistency for our stock of jewelry we would not have as many bracelets, rings and things as we flash in our neighbors' faces at the present "riding."

Be sure that there is a copy of the Alabama Advocate in your house. We are getting a club rate for the district conference, and if you will leave a dollar and your name with Mr. Leslie Mixson, he will send you the paper whether new or renewal for a year. This is the best reading for the least price we know anything about. Do it today.

All the children who have been sick are improving and wil soon be out again.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. H. B. Wilson had to undergo an operation in the hospital at Troy, but reports are that she is doing well.

The rain last Sunday interfered with the church attendance, but those who heard the fine music by the mixed choir from the different churches, and the able commencement sermon by Dr. C. C. Daniels, of Troy, were amply rewarded for all their efforts. Dr. Daniels is just out of Columbia University where he attended lectures in psychology the past year.

Do not take a vacation in church because the children and teachers are taking one in school. Satan never tires of his great school, and never gives a vacation, and is always delighted to see the friends of his friends take a needed(?) vacation from prayer-meeting and other church services. Come to prayer meeting every week.

One of the most interesting services we have listened to this year was a review of one of the chapters of the mission study book the League is using every Sunday night. The last one was given by Virgil Mays, and was well worth anybody's listening to.

Miss Ella Law expects to attend the great Teacher Training School to be held at the Woman's College, Montgomery in the next few days.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bible School, 9:45 each Sunday.

Prayer meeting, Wednesday nights of each week, 7:45.

Ladies Meting, Tuesday afternoons at 3:30 P. M. at Church.

Preaching, 2nd and 4th Sundays in each month.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. F. A. Symonds, supt.

You are cordially invited to attend all services.

"GET-TOGETHER" PARTY FOR GRADUATING CLASS—

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The graduating class of the Elba High School had a "Get-Together Party" at the High School on Monday evening. After the party the class was served a delicious ice course through the courtesy of their beloved principal, Prof. B. H. Boyd.

Miss Vera Law, who has been teaching at Pike Road, is at home for the summer.

Mr. L. C. Powel, of Troy, was a visitor at Elba Tuesday.

Leon Ingram, of Dothan, has been spending a few days at Elba with friends.

Attorney Chas. L. Rowe was a business visitor at Geneva Tuesday.

Miss Eunora Farris, who has been teaching at Dothan, has returned to her home here.

Mr. Charlie Williamson, of Brundidge, was a visitor at Elba Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Vaughn, of Troy, were guests of Elba relatives Sunday.

Miss Annie Lou Conner, who has been teaching at Coleanor, is the guest of relatives at Elba.

Montier Powell, of Troy, has been visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. Tobe Rhodes left the latter part of last week for Akron, Ohio, where he has a position.

Miss Mattie Kate Boazman left Tuesday for a few days visit to relatives at Opelika and Columbus, Ga.

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Mrs. J. M. Garrett and Miss Jeanette Garrett were visitors at Montgomery the latter part of last week, having gone to attend the commencement at the Womans College.

ENTERTAINS BRIDGE CLUB—

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Miss Lurline Ham was hostess to the Bridge Club Saturday afternoon at her beautiful home on Claxton street. The living room was made beautiful by the use of sweet peas and other cut flowers.

Games were enjoyed at four tables, after which delicious salad and ice courses were served.

We can easily represent things as we wish them to be.

JUDGE CARNLEY CONFERS WITH COMMISSION ABOUT ROADS

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Judge J. A. Carnley was a visitor at Montgomery the first of the week, having gone to confer with the State Highway Commission about road work in Coffee County. One project which was taken up with the commission was the building of one mile of road through the town of Elba, which will connect the Troy-Elba highway with the new Elba-Enterprise road. Another was the rebuilding or re-surfacing of the first seven miles of the Troy-Elba highway. An effort is also being made by the Commissioners' Court to have a concrete bridge built over Pea River at Elba. Present plans of the state are to repair the old bridge here, but it is hoped that a new bridge can be secured.

Judge Carnley says that Engineer W. S. Keller has promised to look into these matters and they will have the serious consideration of the Highway Commission, and it is hoped that the improvements sought by the Judge and Commissioners can be secured.

Judge Carnley also discussed with Mr. Keller the proposition of another highway thru the county from a point in the northeastern part of the county to Kinston, but was informed that at the present time this project could not be launched. Many counties in the state have not yet had any road projects at all, and the highway commission is making an effort to get some work in every county, before any other projects are started in counties where there has already been some roads built.

INTER SE AND SUNSHINE CLUBS ENTERTAINED—

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Mesdames W. C. Braswell and W. E. Blair very delightfully entertained the Inter Se and Sunshine Clubs, Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Blair.

The living and dining rooms were thrown together and beautifully decorated with a profusion of cut flowers and ferns. Here tables were arranged for games of Rook. After a most pleasant hour spent in games, the guests were served a delicious ice course. About fifty guests enjoyed this lovely affair.

Mrs. J. M. Folsom, who recently underwent an operation at a Montgomery hospital, returned to her home last week. Her many friends will be glad to know that she is at home.

FOUR MEMBERS CITY SCHOOL BOARD RESIGN; OTHERS NAMED

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With the finishing up of the 1922-23 session of the Elba Schools, came the resignation of four of the members of the City School Board, announcement of their resignation having been made last week. The four members who resigned are: W. W. Sanders, F. A. Symonds, J. B. Amos and G. C. Bowden.

The Town Council, whose duty it is to appoint such boards, has named the following new members on the board: S. H. Brock, J. O. English, J. L. Morrow and O. S. Winston.

The new members together with O. A. Ellis, a member of the old board, will have control of the school affairs of the town in the future. It has been reported that the new board has already elected some of the teachers for the school next year, however, we have not received a list of those named.

DR. CLAXTON DELIVERED FINE ADDRESS ON TUESDAY MORNING

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Dr. P. P. Claxton, Provost of the University of Alabama, and United States Commissioner of Education from 1911 to 1921, delivered the commencement address at the closing of the Elba High School on Tuesday morning.

Perhaps no other man in the United States has such a wide acquaintance with school conditions in the country as has Dr. Claxton. He has visited every state in the United States but one, and has delivered more speeches on education than most any other man.

Dr. Claxton made a wonderful speech which was well received by the audience. Dr. Claxton stressed the importance of developing our whole educational system simultaneously from the primary grade through the university. He asked the people present to stand for the program for educational program as outlined by Governor Brandon. It is proposed that a three-mill tax shall be levied for educational purposes one-half of which shall go to the higher institutions and the other half to go to the common schools. The common schools would also get the same appropriation as heretofore. Dr. Claxton gave the history of public education in the United States and urged the people to continue the fine progress made so far.

Dr. Claxton's speech was a treat and greatly enjoyed by the people of Elba.

ELBA MASONS WILL SELECT NEW OFFICERS NEXT SATURDAY.

Elba Lodge No. 170, A. F. & A. M., will hold its annual election of officers on next Saturday, June 2nd.

The Elba Lodge is very active, and is one of the strongest in this section of the state. During the past year a good deal of work has been done, and prospects are good for a continued growth. A large attendance is expected at the meeting Saturday, when new officers will be elected.

COLORED PEOPLE HAVE BIG CELEBRATION.

The colored people of Elba, together with those of the surrounding country and towns appropriately celebrated "Emancipation Day" here Monday.

The most interesting part of the celebration, perhaps, was a big barbecue served at the colored school building in the Northern part of town. A baseball game was also a feature of the afternoon, Elba's team having defeated a team from Laverne by a big score.

There were hundreds of visiting colored folk, despite the very bad weather, but so far as we have been able to learn, the day passed off very quietly, all seemingly enjoying the day to a great extent.

Mr. C. L. McCartha, of Troy, was a visitor at Elba Sunday.

Mrs. W. L. Coston and Miss Henrietta Coston are at home from the Woman's College at Montgomery.

Attorney J. C. Fleming has been attending court at Troy this week.

Dr. J. S. Beard, of Troy, was a visitor at Elba Sunday.

Mrs. Donald Hammond, of Dothan, has been spending several days at Elba this week with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Bryant.

Miss Felix Coston, who has been teaching at Fairfax, returned to her home at Elba the latter part of last week.

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